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SUBJECT: COOPER MEETING WITH IRANIAN DELEGATION

1. IRANIAN DELEGATION TO WHA REQUESTED MEETING WITH ASST. SEC. COOPER, CHIEF USDEL, TO DISCUSS COOPERATION IN HEALTH. NEW MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE DR. S. SHEIKHOLES-LAMZADEH DESCRIBED THREE AREAS OF PRIMARY INTEREST: 1) DRUG ABUSE - MINISTER FELT THAT PRESENT COOPERATION SATISFACTORY; 2) HEALTH INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT - WORK WITH PRIVATE INDUSTRY DEVELOPING SATISFACTORILY WITH DIRECT CONTACTS WITH A NUMBER OF COMPANIES; AND 3) FOOD AND DRUG CONTROL. MINISTER REQUESTS URGENT ASSISTANCE FROM HEW TO DEVELOP SATISFACTORY MEANS OF REGULATING FOOD AND DRUGS.

2. MINISTER INDICATES THAT IMPORTED DRUGS NOT ALWAYS OF THE QUALITY FOUND IN U.S. HE IS INTERESTED IN DEVELOPING ORGANIZATION, PERSONNEL, AND LABORATORY CAPABILITY TO ASSURE FOODS AND DRUGS IN IRAN ARE OF ACCEPTABLE QUALITY.

3. COOPER AND MINISTER AGREED THAT VISIT TO IRAN BY 2 OR 3 MEMBER HIGH LEVEL TEAM FROM FDA TO MEET WITH IRANIAN SPECIALISTS FIRST STEP. MINISTER INDICATED HE WOULD DISCUSS WITH AMB. HELMS ON RETURN TO TEHRAN.

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WE AGREED TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS IN HEW ON RETURN TO

WASHINGTON. MINISTER INDICATED HE IS PREPARED TO
SUPPORT ALL COSTS FOR THIS ASSISTANCE.ABRAMS

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